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CLAIMS

- A method for treating objects with at least one treatment agent in a household device, characterised in
 - that the household device (1, 20) comprises a first part (2, 2', 2'', 2''', 21) of an identification system which makes it possible to identify data of a second part (4, 4', 4'', 4''', 6, 6', 6'', 6''', 24) of said identification system, which comprises information on at least one treatment agent (23) and/or on a dosing device (5, 22) for dosing the at least one treatment agent (23),
 - that the packaging (3) for the at least one treatment agent (23) and/or the dosing device (5, 22) comprises the second part (4, 4', 4'', 4''', 6, 6', 6'', 6''', 24) of said identification system, and
 - that the treatment and/or the dosing is automatically adapted to this information.
- The method according to claim 1, characterised in that parameters of a programme for controlling the treatment are automatically adapted to the information.
- 3. The method according to any one of the preceding claims, characterised in that modules of a programme for controlling the treatment are automatically adapted to the information.
- 4. An arrangement for implementing one of the methods according to any one of the preceding claims, characterised in

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- that the arrangement comprises a household device (1, 20) for treating objects with at least one treatment agent (23),
- that the arrangement comprises a packaging (3) for the at least one treatment agent (23) and/or a dosing device (5, 22) for dosing the at least one treatment agent (23),
- that the household device (1, 20) comprises a first part (2, 2', 2'', 2''', 21) of an identification system which makes it possible to identify data of a second part (4, 4', 4'', 4''', 6, 6', 6'', 6''', 24) of said identification system, which comprises information on at least one treatment agent (23) and/or on the dosing device (5, 22),
- that the packaging (3) and/or the dosing device (5, 22) comprises the second part (4, 4', 4'', 4''', 6, 6', 6'', 6''', 24) of said identification system, and
- that the treatment and/or the dosing is automatically adapted to this information.
- 5. The arrangement according to claim 4, characterised in that the data comprise information on the composition and/or on active parameters of the at least one treatment agent (23) and/or on dosing parameters of the dosing device (5, 22).
- 6. The arrangement according to claim 4 or 5, characterised in
 - that the household device (20) comprises a transmitting unit (28) which can transmit a control signal to control the dosing,

- that the dosing device (22) comprises a receiving unit (29) which can receive the control signal and
- that the dosing can be controlled by the control signal.
- 7. The arrangement according to any one of claims 4 to 6, characterised in that the identification system comprises a non-contact identification system.
- 8. The arrangement according to any one of claims 4 to 7, characterised in that
 - the identification system comprises a barcode system and
 - that the first part of the identification system comprises a barcode scanner (2''') and the second part of the identification system comprises a barcode (4''', 6''').
- 9. The arrangement according to any one of claims 4 to 7, characterised in that the identification system comprises a radio-based identification system.
- 10. The arrangement according to claim 9, characterised in that the first part of the identification system comprises a reader (2) for transponder chips and the second part of the identification system comprises a transponder chip (4, 6).
- 11. The arrangement according to claim 9, characterised in

- that the first part of the identification system comprises a chip card reader (2') and the second part of the identification system comprises a chip card (4', 6') and
- that the chip card (4', 6') can be inserted in the chip card reader (2') to identify the data.
- 12. The arrangement according to any one of claims 4 to 7, characterised in
 - that the identification systems comprises an electromagnetic identification system and
 - that the first part of the identification system comprises a magnetic strip reader (2'') and the second part of the identification system comprises a magnetic strip (4'', 6'').
- 13. A household device for treating objects with a treatment agent according to one of the arrangements according to any one of claims 4 to 12, characterised in
 - that the household device (1, 20) comprises a first part (2, 2', 2'', 2''', 21) of an identification system which is configured such that it can identify data of a second part (4, 4', 4'', 4''', 6, 6', 6'', 6''', 24) of said identification system, which comprises information on at least one treatment agent (23) and/or on a dosing device (5, 22) for dosing the at least one treatment agent (23), and
 - that the treatment and/or the dosing is automatically adapted to this information.

- 14. The household device according to claim 13, characterised in that the household device (1, 20) is a dishwasher or a washing machine.
- 15. A packaging of at least one treatment agent according to one of the arrangements according to any one of claims 4 to 12, characterised in
 - that the packaging (3) comprises a second part (4, 4', 4'', 4''', 6, 6', 6'', 6''', 24) of an identification system, which is configured so that its data can be identified by a first part (2, 2', 2'', 2''', 21) of the identification system, and
 - that the data comprise information on a composition and/or on active parameters of the at least one treatment agent (23).
- 16. The packaging according to claim 15, characterised in that the at least one treatment agent (23) can be used in dishwashers and/or washing machines.
- 17. A dosing device for dosing at least one treatment agent according to one of the arrangements according to any one of claims 4 to 12, characterised in
 - that the dosing device (5, 22) can be inserted in a household device (1, 20) for treating objects,
 - that the dosing device (5, 22) comprises a second part (4, 4', 4'', 4''', 6, 6', 6'', 6''', 24) of an identification system, which is configured so that its data can be identified by a first part (2, 2', 2'', 2''', 21) of the identification system, and

- that the data comprise information on the dosing device (5, 22).
- 18. The dosing device according to claim 17, characterised in that the data comprises information on dosing parameters of the dosing device (5).
- The dosing device according to one of claims 17 or
 characterised in that the dosing device (5,
 can be inserted in a dishwasher and/or in a washing machine.